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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 416
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A RESOLUTION to designate a certain portion of land at the intersection of Granny White Pike and I-440 in Davidson County as "Descendants Park", in honor of State Senator Douglas Henry.

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee acquired certain acreage at the intersection of Granny White Pike and I-440 Parkway in anticipation of building an interchange at that location; and

WHEREAS, certain state officials, including the Commissioner of Transportation, were contacted by State Senator Douglas Henry, who promptly expressed the concerns of the citizenry; and

WHEREAS, those in authority determined, in due course, that such action was not in the best interests of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee had previously purchased many tracts of land in that locale in anticipation of the construction; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee now owns valuable property that it cannot sell because such land is now deemed to be an important cultural and archaeological site; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the state-owned portion of land at the intersection of Granny White Pike

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and Interstate 440 in Davidson County is hereby declared a Cultural Unit of the Division of State Parks of the Department of Environment and Conservation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That such cultural unit is hereby designated "Descendants Park" to honor Senator Douglas Henry, the primary Senate proponent of Descendants Day and sponsor of legislation celebrating the event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Descendants Park be established to appropriately honor the work of Senator Douglas Henry and his colleagues, as they have diligently worked to leave a rich and full legacy for all descendants of their respective generations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the department of transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or affix suitable signs designating such cultural unit as "Descendants Park".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the erection of such directional signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.